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Comments

[NOTE: All citations to “Manual” in the comments below are to the Administrative Rules Procedures Manual, prepared by the Legislative Reference Bureau and the Legislative Council Staff, dated September 2008.]

5. Clarity, Grammar, Punctuation and Use of Plain Language

a. In the plain language analysis, the use of singular and plural terms should be used consistently. For example, in the first sentence, the phrase “they are” should be replaced by the phrase “the candidate is.” In the last sentence of the first paragraph, the word “them” should be replaced by the phrase “the candidate.” [See also the rule preface discussion of the summary of factual data and analytical methodologies used to prepare the rule.]

b. In the second paragraph of the plain language analysis, the acronyms “NCARB” and “IDP” are used. Presumably, these acronyms refer to the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and to the Intern Development Program, respectively. These entities should be fully expressed in the plain language analysis the first time they are used with the acronyms following enclosed in parentheses.